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Setting up of UMPP
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the status of setting up of Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs) in the country;

(b) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to expedite the work of the delayed projects;

(c) the number of Power Projects lying pending/incomplete in the country including the state of West Bengal; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government for completing the pending projects state/ sector-wise and plant-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL AND NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

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(a) : Four UMPPs, viz, Sasan in Madhya Pradesh, Mundra in Gujarat, Krishnapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and Tilaiya in Jharkhand have been awarded to the successful bidders so far. Mundra and Sasan UMPP have been fully commissioned. The status of awarded UMPPs is at Annex-I. The status of other identified UMPPs is at Annex-II.

(b) : I. A Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) headed by Member (Thermal), Central Electricity Authority (CEA) and co-chaired by Principal Secretary (Energy) of the host State has been constituted to review the progress of implementation of UMPP.

II. Any Ministry/Department or any private entrepreneur can submit/upload their stalled investment projects involving the investment of Rs 1000 crore or more or a project considered to be critical in the Project Monitoring Group (PMG) portal of Cabinet Secretariat. Ministry of Power is taking up such stalled projects, for further monitoring by PMG in Cabinet Secretariat.

(c) : Presently, 82 thermal power projects aggregating to 81741 MW are lying incomplete in the country including two nos. projects aggregating to 2980 MW in West Bengal (Details at Annex −III).
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Also 47 Hydro Electric Projects (above 25 MW) aggregating to 13208 MW are under construction in the country, out of which, 2 Hydro Electric Projects aggregating to 280 MW are in West Bengal. (Details at Annex−IV).

(d): The following steps are being taken by the Government for timely completion of the projects:

I. Central Electricity Authority (CEA) is monitoring the progress of construction of the power projects in pursuance of 73 (f) of Electricity Act, 2003. Central Electricity Authority continuously monitors the progress through frequent site visits and interaction with the developers and equipment suppliers. CEA holds review meetings periodically with the developers and other stakeholders and identifies critical issues for commissioning of power projects and helps in resolving them.

II. Regular reviews are undertaken by Ministry of Power, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Cabinet Secretariat to identify the critical areas and facilitate faster resolution of inter-ministerial and other outstanding issues.

III. Ministry of Power also reviews the progress of ongoing Hydro electric projects regularly with the equipment manufacturers, State Utilities / CPSUs / Project developers, etc.

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